

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

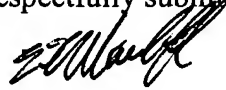
In the introductory paragraph, please amend as reflected in the following marked-up version of the paragraph:

[0001] This invention claims priority to provisional patent application serial number 60/509,932, entitled "INTEGRATED OPTICAL ASSEMBLY", filed on October-2, 9, 2003, which is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference.

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed before the receipt of a First Office Action,  
therefore no fee is believed to be due.

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